

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE

Appl. No. Applicant 09/744,082 Hongli Willimann March 16, 2001

Filed Group Art Unit

1713

Examiner

Kelechii Chidi Egwim

Docket No.

1775

Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Sir,

In response to the Office Action mailed September 22, 2004, for which the time to respond has been extended to January 24, 2005 by the Petition for Extension of Time filed herewith, please amend the present application as follows:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.